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SUBJECT: QUITO MF: CUBAN SANCTIONS

REF: (A) P-AU-P 2142; (B) P-AU-P 1830; (C) P-AU-P 1809

1. POLITICAL AFFAIRS DIRECTOR FRANCOIS, WHO ACCOMPANYING FOREIGN AFFAIRS SECRETARY BRUTUS TO QUITO (REF A), EMPHASIZED TO EMBOFF NOVEMBER 4 THAT HAITI INTENDED "TO REINFORCE THE MAJORITY" ON THE CUBAN SANCTIONS ISSUE AT THE QUITO MF. FRANCOIS DID NOT CLAIM TO KNOW WHO HAD MAJORITY AND SAID GOH WAS RESERVING JUDGMENT ON ISSUE PENDING RECEIPT OF INVESTIGATIVE REPORT AND CONSULTATIONS WITH OTHER DELEGATIONS AT QUITO. HOWEVER, HE WORRIED ALOUD ABOUT IMPACT ON OAS AS INSTITUTION IF A FRUSTRATED OAS MAJORITY DESIRING AN END TO SANCTIONS WERE INDIVIDUALLY TO ESTABLISH BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH CUBA AND IGNORE EXISTING OAS SANCTIONS. FRANCOIS CAREFULLY DISTINGUISHED THIS VIEW FROM QUESTION OF HAITI REESTABLISHING RELATIONS WITH CUBA, WHICH HE SAID HAITI DID NOT DESIRE, BUT ADDED THAT AS A RULE HAITI SOUGHT TO SUPPORT LATIN SOLIDARITY IN OAS WHENEVER MAJORITY VIEW WAS CLEAR.

2. COMMENT: WHILE GOH ABSTENTION IF NOT NEGATIVE VOTE STILL MORE LIKELY (REFS B AND C), IN ABSENCE CLEAR SIGNAL FROM USG ON ISSUE, GOH MAY BE EXPERIENCING SOME TEMPTATIONS EVEN TO
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SUPPORT RESOLUTION ASKING END TO CUBAN SANCTIONS. HOWEVER,

BRUTUS, NOT FRANCOIS, WILL DECIDE GOH VOTE, AND IF US DELEGATION
CONCLUDES GOH ABSTENTION OR NEGATIVE VOTE IS CRUCIAL, RECOMMEND
APPEAL TO BRUTUS TO NAIL IT DOWN.
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